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For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AUTHENTICATION OF A USER

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- ☒ Patent Specification and Declaration
- ☒ 4 sheets of drawing(s)
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to International Business Machines Corporation (includes Recordation Form Cover Sheet)
- ☒ A certified copy of a United Kingdom application filed on 13 November 2001, Serial Number 0127205.3
- ☒ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO 1449 and copies of references

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